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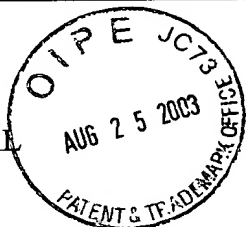
IN RE APPLICATION OF

KARLHEINZ DRUZ ET AL

SERIAL NO: 09/399,743

FILED: SEPTEMBER 20, 1999

FOR: AMINO ACID COMPOSITION FOR
HEMODIALYSIS



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: EXAMINER: KIM, S.U.

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: GROUP ART UNIT: 1723

RESPONSE TO ADVISORY ACTION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Responsive to the Advisory Action dated July 21, 2003, Applicants enclose an English translation of Gruenert et al., Infusiontherapie, Vol. 11, No. 1, February 1984 and Gruenert et al., Anasthesist, Vol. 33, No. 1, pp. 11-19, January 1984 for the Examiners consideration. In addition, a Terminal Disclaimer over Applicants copending application Serial No. 09/769,397 will be filed upon an indication of allowable subject in the present application.

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Based on the foregoing, Applicants submit that this application is allowable for the reasons set forth and the response filed on June 24, 2003, early notification to this effect is earnestly solicited.

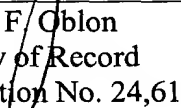
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